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1. Theory on the receiving properties of infinite planar array elements

For the first time, the array element counterparts of the vector effective height and receiving area of an isolated antenna were expressed in terms of the transmitting properties of the same array. The Lorentz reciprocity theorem was used to relate the element's received open-circuit voltage and the power delivered to the load with the transmitting performance descriptors.

The vector effective height for an array element is defined such that an inner product between the effective height and the incident electric field vector produces the complex open-circuit voltage of the element in the frequency domain, as is the case for the open-circuit received voltage of an isolated antenna. Similarly to an isolated antenna, the element effective height describes both the polarization and element pattern characteristics of the array.

A new directivity quantity, named the element Floquet directivity, was introduced to describe the bidirectional or unidirectional nature of radiation under any given scan condition. Symmetric bidirectional and complete unidirectional radiation characteristics correspond to the Floquet directivity value of unity and two, respectively. The exact expression for the receiving area of an element was derived for the first time. The contributing factors were found to be the radiation efficiency, polarization and impedance mismatch factors, and the Floquet directivity together with the projected element cell area in the scan direction.

They represent theoretical establishment of the receiving properties of planar arrays in terms of transmitting performance parameters for the first time.

2. Derivation of fundamental bandwidth bounds for free-space arrays

For elements of infinite planar arrays in free space, fundamental upper bounds on the element matching bandwidth were derived based on the forward scattering sum rule for an array of doubly periodic scatterers. The analyticity of the forward scattering, or transmitting, coefficient in the lower half of the complex wavenumber plane was exploited to relate an integrated extinction cross section over frequency to the static scattering properties of the element under periodic boundary conditions. Quantitative element bandwidth bounds were found in terms of the strengths of the induced electric and magnetic dipole moments, taking into account of the coupling effects between neighboring elements. For both resonant narrowband and ultrawideband responses, the bandwidth upper bounds were expressed in terms of geometrical (unit cell dimensions, scan angle, polarizabilities) as well as electrical (radiation efficiency, polarization mismatch factor, Floquet directivity, polarizabilities) design parameters. Tight bandwidth limits were found by using the generalized absorption efficiency value of 0.5.

Quantitative bandwidth bounds revealed that smaller unit cell dimensions and strong induced dipole moments increase the bandwidth upper bound.

3. Higher-order Fano matching bandwidth bounds for conductor-backed planar array elements

For more practical planar arrays backed by a planar conducting ground plane, higher-order bandwidth bounds were found based on the plane-wave reflection coefficient in a receiving/scattering configuration for different scan conditions and element compositions. The reflection coefficient was expanded in terms of the wavenumber in the low-frequency range and the fact that such a reflection coefficient represents a causal system response, making it analytic in the lower-half of the complex wavenumber plane. Subsequently, the classical Fano analysis is applied and integral equalities involving the magnitude of the reflection coefficient were derived. Previously known results use the lowest-order integral identity to find the bandwidth upper bound. However, expressions of the existing bounds do not involve details of the element design, significantly reducing their utility in practical array designs. In this project, a higher-order integral identity based on the expansion including the next-higher order term was derived, which provides an additional requirement for the magnitude of the reflection coefficient to satisfy. It is found that the resulting bound depends the specific element antenna design, expressed in terms of the low-frequency electric and magnetic polarizabilities. Inspection of the higher-order bandwidth bounds provides a promising element design strategy for approaching the newly established bounds.

Higher-order impedance matching bounds provide tighter bandwidth limits than previously known results. The exact functional dependence of the new higher-order bounds provides a physical insight into increasing the bandwidth of practical planar phased array antennas.

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